

REMARKS/ ARGUMENTS

The foregoing amendment and the following arguments are provided to impart precision to the claims, by more particularly pointing out the invention, rather than to avoid prior art.

Double Patenting Objections

The Examiner has provisionally rejected claims 1-30 under the judicially created doctrine of double patenting over claims 1-30 of copending Application No. 09/752,506. The copending application No. 09/752,506 has been abandoned.

35 U.S.C. § 103(a) Rejections

Examiner rejected claims 1-6, 8-14, 16-24, 26-28 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent 6,101,178 (hereinafter "Beal") in view of U.S. Patent 6,275,707 (hereinafter "Reed").

To establish *prima facie* obviousness of a claimed invention, all the claim limitations must be taught or suggested by the prior art. *In re Royka*, 490 F.2d 981, 180 USPQ 580 (CCPA 1974). (Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) ¶ 2143.03).

Applicant's independent claims include limitations that are not disclosed nor suggested by Beal or Reed. Therefore, applicant's independent claims are patentable over Beal in view of Reed.

In particular, as amended, applicant's independent claims 1, 11 and 19 include the claim limitation, or limitation similar thereto, of *a transceiver to receive a first set of codes from multiple separate transmitters via a short-range wireless Bluetooth™ communications standard*. Neither Beal or Reed discloses, nor does a

combination of the two suggest, applicant's claimed limitation of *a transceiver to receive a first set of codes from multiple separate transmitters via a short-range wireless Bluetooth™ communications standard.*

Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that neither Beal nor Reed teach nor suggest Applicant's invention as set forth in independent claims 1, 11 and 19.

Furthermore, the remaining claims, depend from one of the independent claims discussed above and therefore also include the distinguishing claim limitations. As a result, the remaining claims are also patentable over Beal in view of Reed.

35 U.S.C. § 102(a) Rejections

Examiner rejected claims 29-30 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) as being anticipated by Beal. Claims 29-30 have been canceled.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call John Ward at (408) 720-8300, x237.

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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